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| <b>REQUEST<br/>FOR<br/>CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)<br/>TRANSMITTAL</b><br><br>Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,<br>provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application<br>filed on or after June 8, 1995.<br>See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA). | <b>Application Number</b>     | 10/733,700        |
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|  | <b>First Named Inventor</b>   | William R Watt    |
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|  | <b>Group Art Unit</b>         | 3693              |
|  | <b>Examiner Name</b>          | James Vezeris     |
|  | <b>Attorney Docket Number</b> | 2043.159US1       |
|  | <b>Customer No.</b>           | 49845             |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application entitled

**AUCTION WITH INTEREST RATE BIDDING**

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114:

- ☒ Consider the amendments/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on August 25, 2008.
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages), Form 1449 (3 pages), and copies of cited documents (41).

2. Fees

- ☒ Authorization to charge deposit account 19-0743 in the amount of \$810.00 to pay the RCE filing fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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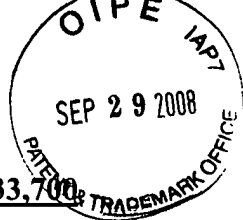
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**PATENT**

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 *et. seq.*, the enclosed materials are brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully request that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on the attached Form 1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Pursuant to the provisions of MPEP 609, Applicants request that a copy of the 1449 form, initialed as being considered by the Examiner, be returned to the Applicants with the next official communication. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), it is believed that no fee or statement is required with the Information Disclosure Statement. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2), Applicant believes that copies of cited U.S. Patents and Published Applications, and Non-Published Applications identifiable by USPTO Serial Number, are no longer required to be provided to the Office. Notification of this change to this effect was provided in the United States Patent and Trademark Office OG Notice dated October 19, 2004. Thus, Applicant has not included copies of any US Patents or US Patent Applications identifiable by serial number that may be cited with this submission. Should the Office require copies to be provided, Applicant respectfully requests that notice of such requirement be directed to Applicant's below-signed representative. Applicant acknowledges the requirement to submit copies of foreign patent documents and non-patent literature in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2).

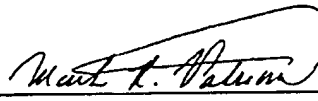
The Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' Representative at the below-listed telephone number if there are any questions regarding this communication.

Respectfully submitted,

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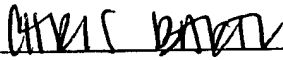
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